

- 10 -

REMARKS

The Examiner has objected to Claims 10-14, and 28-32 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Examiner has also stated that such claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim(s).

The Examiner is thanked for this allowable subject matter. Applicant respectfully asserts that each of the claims have been amended, substantially as suggested by the Examiner.

Thus, all of the independent claims are deemed allowable. Moreover, the remaining dependent claims are further deemed allowable, in view of their dependence on such independent claims.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NA11P012/01.132.01).

Respectfully submitted,  
Zilka-Kotab, PC.

Kevin J. Zilka  
Registration No. 41,429

P.O. Box 721120  
San Jose, CA 95172-1120  
408-505-5100